IN REPLY TO:

United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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December 15, 1995

CERTIFIED--RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ronald M. Sannes P.O. Box 603 Billings, Montana 59103

Dear Mr. Sannes:

We acknowledge your letter dated December 12, 1995, which was received in this office on December 13, 1995, requesting a State Director Review (SDR) with oral presentation of a November 28, 1995, Decision by the Dakotas District Office terminating communitization agreement (CA) NDM 70176. This SDR request was considered timely filed in accordance with 43 CFR 3165.3(b) and was assigned number SDR-922-96-01.

On December 14, 1995, you visited with Chun Wong and Pascual Laborda to discuss the oil and gas regulations. During the meeting, you learned that when a CA is terminated, the Federal lease eliminated from the CA would be granted a 2-year extension under 43 CFR 3107.4. As a result of that information, you decided to withdraw your SDR Request. A letter dated December 14, 1995, was presented to this office withdrawing the SDR request after the meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact Pascual Laborda at 406-255-2862.

Sincerely,

/s/ Thomas P. Lonnie

Thomas P. Lonnie Deputy State Director Division of Resources

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